Ban on honking of horns in Delhi

1111. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether honking of horns by vehicles been banned at the intersections in Delhi;

(b) if so, whether it is being enforced strictly; and

(c) how many motorists were prosecuted in the last six months for this?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) Yes, Sir. Delhi Police have on 16th October, 2001 issued an order prohibiting the blowing of horns at all signalised junctions/ intersections within a distance of 100 metres of each approaching arm of the road from center of the interesection in the National Capital Territory of Delhi except under emergency/urgent situation where blowing of horns is warranted.

(b) and (c) These prohibitory orders have not so far been enforced as delhi Police consider it expedient to first make the members of public aware about them. However, Delhi Police have been advised to amend their order dated the 16th October, 2001 so as to bring it into force after a suitable interval of time.

Separate Police Personnel for Criminal Investigations and Law and Order

1112. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to have separate Police Personnel for criminal investigations and law and order;

(b) if so, when is it likely to be implemented;

(c) whether it will be started as a pilot project in a few places to begin with; and

(d) if so, whether these places have been identified?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (d) The Law Commission of India in its 154th Report on the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, *inter alia*, recommended that there should be a separate and exclusive investigating agency to investigate grave offences in every district, subject to supervision by the higher authorities. Since 'Police' is a State subject, the recommendation was referred to State Governments for implementation.

This matter was also considered at the Chief Ministers' Conference on August 05, 2000 and there was a general agreement on the need for creation of separate investigation cell/team at the Police Station.

Creation of a Department of Border Management in MHA

1113. SHRI P.N. SIVA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Department of Border Management has been set up within the Union Home Ministry;

(b) if so, the parameters, functions and other details of the Department; and

(c) if not, by when such a department is likely to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) The Group of Ministers has, *inter alia*, recommended that a separate Department of Border Management may be created under the overall charge of the home secretary. It should monitor, coordinate and oversee Border Management. A detailed proposal for the creation of a separate Department of Border Management is at present under consideration. Pending sanction of additional officers and staff for the proposed Department of Border Management, a Border Management Division has been created in the Ministry by giving additional charge to a senior officer and providing minimum skeletal staff through internal adjustment.